



The voice of the

HWARANG



Volume 13, No. 4

For the warriors of Ulchi Focus Lens 2003

Aug. 22, 2003

Engineers build bridges to the future

Story, photos by Cpl. Jang, Seung-mo



Col. Charles King, OIC, briefs the night shift. From left to right: Maj. Tom Conners, operations officer; Lt. Col. Nick Krupa, battle captain; Maj. Gregory Griffin, plans officer; King; Maj. George Le Boeuf, plans officer; and Capt. Michael Justice, operations officer.

“The best way to defeat the enemy is to deter the enemy’s attack.”

This famous phrase is from an old Chinese book named “Sun Zhu’s Art of War.” More than a thousand years have passed since this book was published yet it remains a cornerstone of military strategy.

It is important to mention that one purpose of the annual Ulchi Focus Lens exercise is to deter an attack from the North. During this year’s UFL exercise it’s obvious the ROK-US combined forces are as strong as ever, partly due to efforts of sections like the 8th Army Engineers.

According to Col. Charles King, armistice chief of engineers, 8th U.S. Army, his unit supports the Combined Forces Command by planning engineer

operations and providing the status of transportation facilities during wartime.

“Under a wartime environment, the 8th Army engineer team tracks damages they plan so that the combined forces can bypass the damage while we repair the destructed facilities.



Maj. Tom Conners, operations officer, briefs Pvt. Moon, In-sung, supply specialist, on Facility Damage information

The focus of this is to continue generating combat power,” he said.

For UFL 2003, the 8th Army engineer team is gathered at CP Oscar to effect what they have been working on throughout the year to accomplish their mission.

“Through this exercise, the engineer team improves its communication as well as team work, which is probably the most important key to the success of our mission,” said Sgt. 1st Class Michael Williams, operations night shift sergeant major, 8th Army engineer.

Like many other soldiers in 8th Army, these soldiers show deep affection for Korea and clearly realize the importance of their mission here.

“I meet a lot of Korean people and I have a tremendous amount of respect for their culture. It is important for them to be able to make their own choice on how they want to live, and it is also important for their children to feel safe in a stable place so they can flourish and continue this great culture,” said Maj. Tom Conners, operations officer, 8th Army engineers.

“Apparently the purpose of our being here is to protect the people and their cultural heritage. No doubt the engineer team will play an essential role in this,” added Conners.



Col. Charles King gives tasks to his soldiers after a shift change briefing. From left to right: Sgt. 1st Class Michael Williams, operations night shift sergeant major; King; and Maj. George Le Boeuf, plans officer.



The Spirit of Hwarang

It's August and the 8th Army warriors have amassed once again to show their combat readiness in this year's Ulchi Focus Lens.

UFL is an annual summer exercise involving forces from both the Republic of Korea and the United States. It is designed to evaluate and improve combined and joint coordination, procedures, plans and systems necessary for the conduct of contingency operations of ROK and U.S. forces.

UFL demonstrates ROK/U.S. interoperability and Combined Forces Command capability, as well as the commitment to defend Korea.

Fifteen centuries ago, when this part of Korea was known as the Kingdom of Shilla, a group of Shilla warriors called the "Hwarang" demonstrated their battle skills and their nobility in this same area. The Hwarang was a youth organization led by a single "Kook sun," the spiritual leader. Under this leader, the Hwarangs led thousands of "Nangdo" to become a Hwarang. These young, aspiring warriors trained in martial arts and in academics, aspiring to become Hwarangs. A knightly code of conduct resulted from Hwarang-do training, and the Hwarang members visited beautiful places within the Kingdom, engaging in both military and spiritual exercises to cleanse and train their minds and bodies.

It is in the spirit of Hwarang, this newsletter is created to honor the service members and events of this year's Ulchi Focus Lens who demonstrate the spirit of Hwarang.

This newsletter will not be available online until after August.

If any or our readers know of any sections or individuals who possess this spirit of courage, intelligence and nobility, let us know by calling 764-3040 or e-mail us at bassettr@usfk.korea.army.mil.

Chaplain's Corner

By Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Karen J. Diefendorf

Will Rogers, who died in a plane crash in 1935, was probably the greatest political sage this country ever knew. His advice still holds true. Here are some of the quotes I've seen recently that apply to UFL!

1. Never miss a good chance to shut up.
2. If you find yourself in a hole, stop digging.
3. Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.
4. There are three kinds of men:
 - The ones that learn by reading.
 - The few who learn by observation.
 - The rest of them have to pee on the electric fence.

Developing briefings that are concise and actually say something is hard. Staff work teaches us that what we think isn't always how others think. But, all-in-all, it's a good thing to find out what we don't know and then to discover what we need to know—providing we can stay away from the electric fence.

Enjoy the day — it is the one God has given you. "This is the day the Lord has made; Let us rejoice and be glad in it." Psalm 118:24.

Camp Walker Chapel Worship Schedule

Catholic Service: 9 a.m. Sunday
 Collective Protestant Service: 10:30 a.m. Sunday
 Collective Protestant Service (Gospel): 12:45 p.m. Sunday
 Lutheran Service: 7:30 a.m. Sunday
 KATUSA Prot. Services: 7:45 a.m. Monday and 10:30 a.m. Tuesday
 Church of Christ Service: 1 p.m. Sunday
 Latter day saints Service: 1 p.m. Sunday Annex
 Apostolic Service: 11 a.m. Sunday

The staff of the Voice of Hwarang (UFL 2003)

Lt. Gen. Charles Campbell.....Eighth U.S. Army Commanding General
 Col. Susan Petty.....Public Affairs Officer
 Lt. Col. Steven Boylan.....Deputy Public Affairs Officer
 Maj. Lee Packnett.....Chief Information Strategies
 Cpt. Mary Constantino.....Command Information Officer
 Sgt. Maj. Michael Novogradac.....Public Affairs Sergeant Major
 Staff Sgt. Russell Bassett.....Editor
 Sgt. Kim, Dae-dong.....Assistant Editor
 Cpl. Kang, Byung-sam.....Staff Writer
 Cpl. Jang, Seung-mo.....Staff Writer
 Pfc. Yoon, Jong-pil.....Staff Writer
 Pvt. Daniel Love.....Staff Writer

The Voice of the Hwarang is published by the Eighth U.S. Army Public Affairs Office and is an authorized publication under the provision of AR 360-1 and is published on the internet at <http://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/PAO/hwarang3.htm>. Contents of The Voice of the Hwarang are not necessarily the official views of, or endorsed by, the U.S. Army. All editorial content of The Voice of the Hwarang should be directed to the Publication Editor or the OIC. The staff can be contacted at:
 Tel. DSN: 764-3040
 E-mail: bassettr@usfk.korea.army.mil



Daegu offers fun, excitement and relaxation during PAUSEX

Story, photos by Pfc. Yoon, Jong-pil

What are you planning to do during the PAUSEX? Two trips are being planned for UFL participants: an Osan shopping trip and a trip to the Joint Security Area. But if you are not planning to go on these trips and expect to stick around Daegu, here are some other options for making your PAUSEX an enjoyable one.

Duryu Park Area

Duryu Park is a 170 square kilometer park that is located in the heart of Daegu. At the park's Culture and Arts Center this weekend, there will be an art and dance festival



A married couple attempts to throw a coin into the round rock under the water to have their wish come true at Donghwa temple.

by World Universiade students and a talent holders exhibition of major intangible cultural properties. In the Outdoor Music Hall, the largest outdoor hall of its kind in Korea, there will be a rock festival - pending Universiade Organization Committee's schedule. Across the street from the Culture and Arts Center is the Woobang Tower Land, an amusement park with 31 joy rides and a 202 meter observatory.

"There is also a rotating restaurant where you can get a gorgeous night view of the city on the top of the observatory tower," said Jung, Sang-min, a student at Yeung Nam University.



Skyline cable cars take people from the gate of Donghwa temple up Palgong mountain for a view of Teagu.

Palgong Mountain District

Palgong Mountain, which rises 1,192 meters above sea level, contains several famous Buddhist relics. Donghwas is the temple with the tallest Buddha statue in Korea. It stands 33 meters tall. The statue was built several years back as a prayer for the unification of the two Koreas.

"I am here with my fellow workers and trainees from China," said Jeon, Young-mi, employ of Phillips LCD, Gu-mi, Korea. "The temple and statue are great, especially how they go with the scenery, and I think foreigners can come and learn the culture and enjoy the scenery as well."

A skyline observatory is nearby at the 800-meter summit.

In the district, there is also the Gatbawi at Gwangbong Peak. It is one of the masterpieces that represent the Unified

See Daegu, next page



Daegu, from Page 4

Shilla Dynasty. It is known that if you wish to the Gatbawi sincerely, it will make your wish come true.

Nearby is also the Pagsesa Temple.

Daegu Universiade

For those who like sports, a place to visit is the Daegu World Cup Stadium where the Universiade Games are currently being held. Representatives from over 170 countries are here to participate in the games.

According to Park, Min-jung, Daegu Tourist Information Center staff member, tickets can be bought on the spot, but in case it sells out, he suggests you check before you arrive. You can also make reservations and

check the schedule at www.universiade-daegu.org

Daegu Tourist Information Center

The Daegu Tourist Information Center, located in Duryu Park, has an advanced exhibition system to guide people around the city of Daegu. They have a skilled English-speaking guide to help people enjoy their time.

"We have a lot of information to offer and it will be helpful to stop by and gather information here, before anything else," said Kim, Kyung-a, Daegu Tourist Center staff member. "We also have city tour buses in and around the Daegu area for foreigners. You just have to call us and have it reserved a day in advance." The Center's number is 053-627-8900, and it is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.



A cable car runs from the gate of the Woobang Tower Land, an amusement park in Daegu, to the front of the Woobang Observatory Tower.



Two Korean women pray in front of the 33-meter tall Buddha Statue at Donghwa temple.

GAS! GAS! GAS!



Lt. Col. Paul Fameli, 8th Army deputy G-5, and Maj. Gerry Messmer, G-5 plans officer, continue on with the mission after a simulated chemical attack Wednesday during Ulchi Focus Lens 2003.



What's up

Camp Henry Movie Schedule

Friday 7 p.m.: **The Hulk**

Saturday 1 p.m.: From Justin to Kelly

Saturday 7 p.m.: Tomb Raider

Sunday 7 p.m.: Tomb Raider

Monday 7 p.m.: Wrong Turn



Bus Schedule

The shuttle for Camp Henry and Camp George leaves from Camp Walker's Gate #6 near the PX, at the following times:

Morning: 12:43#, 1:43#, 2:41#, 7:03*, 7:26, 7:33, 8:43, 9:46, 10:46 and 11:46 a.m.

Afternoon/Evening: 12:46, 1:46, 2:43, 3:46, 4:46, 5:27*, 5:43, 6:07, 6:43, 7:43, 8:46, 9:43, 10:43 and 11:43 p.m.

(# = Fri., Sat. only, * = Mon. to Fri. only)

Taxi service is available daily. For service call 768-8623.

Weather for Daegu, South Korea

AUG 22



Hi	Low
93 F	66 F
34 C	19 C

AUG 23



Hi	Low
89 F	32 F
64 C	18 C

AUG 24



Hi	Low
82 F	75 F
28 C	24 C

Thought of the Day: In all large corporations, there is a pervasive fear that someone, somewhere, is having fun with a computer on company time. -- John C. Dvorak

Voice of UFL: What would you like to do for PAUSEX?



Pfc. Jesus Miranda
Human Resources
HHC, 8th PERSCOM

"Go out and explore the culture of the Korean people who live in Daegu. Also, I'll enjoy the attractions the city offers us."



Phil Ahn
IMO
8th Army G3,

"I'd like to play golf here. It's a beautiful facility, one of the best I've seen. It's a good way to relieve stress and get away from the exercise."



Sgt. Jo, Min-ki
Administrator
8th Army Troop Command

"Take a rest. Then I'm going to Kyoung-Ju. It is a temple made in the 1800s by the Shilla dynasty."



Maj. IVA Kimbrough
Detachment, Plans Officer
311th TSC

"My PAUSEX is full with a barbeque, a DMZ trip, an Osan shopping trip, and I hear the massages are great here".



Financial warriors shine in UFL

Story, photo by Cpl. Kang, Byung-sam

There is a famous saying, "Freedom is not free" ... and fighting for freedom is not free either. Wartime situations require huge supply mobilizations, which in turn require large amounts of money.

To exercise finance support during wartime, 175th Finance Command deployed a team to Command Post Oscar for Ulchi Focus Lens 2003. Maj. Anthony Cole, operations officer, 175th FINCOM, said their job here is to help the warfighters accomplish their mission by providing financial support. "Our mission here is to make sure that the maneuver commanders understand we are part of their team. Finance is here to support the logistical processes as well as provide pay support."

Cole also said the procurement process during contingency is a very important mission for them.

"We carry the nation's checkbook," he said. "A finance officer is entrusted by the U.S. treasury, and with that, we can write checks and give money to buy anything that the maneuver commanders or the combat service support commanders need. We can keep the assets and the resources coming."

The FINCOM team is also handling real-world finance situations while at CP Oscar. The team orchestrated cash payments to Korean contractors in support of the J4 Wartime Host Nation Support exercise contracts. The payments were made by the 176th and 177th Finance Battalions on Aug. 18, 2003. This is the first time cash payments have been made in exercising the WHNS process.

The accounting division of the FINCOM is working with multiple parties to more accurately track the costs of the exercise. According to 175th FINCOM team, this effort will result in better allocation of resources and more information for decision makers. In addition, Cole said they welcome soldiers' pay problems at CP Oscar.

But the FINCOM team is here to train and they welcome the opportunity provided by UFL. "Through the exercise, the finance soldier learns what to do to get the combat commander the equipment he or she needs," said Sgt. 1st Class George Nelson Jr., NCOIC, Finance Policy. "Most finance soldiers really don't get the opportunity to see operations at the 8th Army level or the USFK level. It was pretty interesting



Maj. Anthony Cole (standing), operations officer, 1st Lt. Blake Young (foreground), assistant operations officer, and Sgt. 1st class George Nelson Jr., NCOIC, Finance Policy, monitor the status of the WHNS contract cash payments.

and I am learning a lot about the different processes."

1st Lt. Blake Young, assistant operations officer, 175th FINCOM, who is participating in his first UFL agreed.

"I learned how the USFK/8th Army staff operates in wartime environment, and how to interact with different sections such as J4, G4, Resource Management, and Contracting Command," he said. "We met with many of these sections to ensure they know exactly what resources and support Finance brings to the battlefield."

Women's Equality Day

5 km Run at Camp Carroll

When: 8 a.m. Saturday Aug. 23

Where: Start at the Camp Carroll Fitness Center

POC: Sgt. 1st Class Watson, DSN: 768-6764

Free T-shirt to the first 50 runners to register before race starts

Race Registration is Free!

